

\$1.8 Million in Permits Issued

Building permits issued for the month of June kept pace with previous months with a total of 306 permits. This amounted to \$1.8 million in building construction and improvement within the city during June.

An increase of 20 over May's total to 139 in the number of additions and alterations, including swimming pools, to dwellings was the major change in the summer building.

However, multiple dwelling construction, including apartments, fell from 133 units of construction in May to 10 for June. This decrease was primarily due to the issuance of permits for a large apartment complex in May.

Including June, there have been 1,475 building permits in the city offering a total valuation of nearly \$14 million for 1967. This June's \$1.8 million in valuation sharply contrasts with a low figure for June, 1966, when only \$930,000 in permits was issued.

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County Gets \$3 Million For Streets

SACRAMENTO — Los Angeles county's share of highway user tax distribution during June was \$3,169,930, State Controller Houston I. Flournoy announced today.

Total distribution for the state was \$127,923,609. Of this amount, \$107,565,534 went to the state highway fund for expenditure on state highways; \$9,758,664 directly to the counties; \$6,245,545 went to the state highway fund for use on the select system of county roads and city streets; and \$4,353,866 went to the state highway fund for cities.

Flournoy announced that the total revenues were derived from the following sources: gasoline tax, \$42,036,846; diesel fuel tax, \$2,802,651; and transfer from the motor vehicle transportation tax fund \$81,766,413.

Bus Trip To Angels Game Set

A special package — including chartered buses and block seating — is being offered by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce-Sports and Recreation Committee for the Los Angeles Angels and Minnesota Twins game July 21.

The committee has arranged for 150 seats for the game, according to chairman William Melville. Special buses, on which refreshments will be served, will leave the Palms Restaurant at 6 p.m. for the game.

Cost for the entire package is \$5.50. Reservations are being accepted at the Chamber office, 1510 Cravens Ave.



OFFICIAL HONORED . . . County Supervisor Burton W. Chace, right, presents scroll to David K. Hayward, immediate past president of the Inter-City Highway Committee. Hayward, a Redondo Beach City Councilman, was lauded by the Supervisor for his efforts in promoting better highways and streets in the greater South Bay area.

'Rumplestiltskin' to Open For Weekend Performances

El Camino's summer Theater for Children presents three performances of the production "Rumplestiltskin" this weekend in the college's Campus Theater.

Under the direction of Todd Bingham Jr. of Hawthorne, the play is directed at children "of all ages." Performances will be given at 7:30 p.m. Friday and 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday. Tickets are on sale in the college bookstore for 75 cents and will also be available at the theater box office prior to the performances.

The play features Chick Cordell, also of Hawthorne, as the evil dwarf, Rumplestiltskin, who torments Floyd Holt as the Miller, his daughter Marianne (played by Wendy Greenwald) and Toby, played by Tim Forsyth.

Also in the cast are Byron Monson as the King, Richard Quon, the Chamberlain, and Janie Jamison as the Queen Mother.

Also on the summer agenda for the summer theater for children is "Jack and the Beanstalk" to be presented July 21 and 22, also in the El Comino Campus Theater.

Area Man Arrested In Crash

A rear-end collision auto accident led to the arrest of Jerry DeRossett, 26, of 241 E. 120th St., Los Angeles, on a charge of drunk driving Sunday night.

The suspect's vehicle hit an auto driven by Gladys Evans, 740 5th St., San Pedro, as she was stopped at a stoplight at Hawthorne and Sepulveda boulevards.

The victim said she was stopped at the intersection traveling southbound when a car driven by DeRossett rammed into the rear of her 1967 camper truck. Damage to both vehicles was light.

Investigating Torrance police took the suspect into custody when he refused a sobriety test at the scene. There was no comment on how the accident occurred by De Rossett.

Hahn Seeks to Prevent 'Free Ride' Fire Taxes

An effort to block the loopholes which give several large areas of Los Angeles County a "free ride" for fire protection is being made by a member of the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn said several county sections, representing an assessed valuation of \$594 million, pay taxes to neither a County Fire Protection District nor an incorporated city.

Yet, when a fire breaks out there, the County Fire Department responds.

"That service is billed to all County taxpayers in the form of a \$9.9 million allocation each year from the General Fund," Hahn said.

IF PROPERTY is within a city, a portion of the city property tax supports the local fire department.

For unincorporated County area, there are seven Fire Protection Districts which are taxed directly for County fire services.

"Then there are the 'fortunate forgotten' which virtually ride piggyback on all other sections of the County," Hahn stressed.

He recently called for a map showing these excluded areas and found them in the Malibu area, Chatsworth, Castaic, near Glendora, La Verne, and Claremont; near the Cities of Industry and Whittier; near the Marina del Rey, near Long Beach, and on the Palos Verdes Peninsula.

SUPERVISOR HAHN first became concerned with the "excluded area" problem when he learned that both the Firestone Rubber Co. and the General Motors plant near South Gate were not in a Fire Protection District or a city.

Despite the huge assessed valuations of these properties, they were getting free fire services.

On Hahn's motion, the two major industrial plants were forced to either annex to a city and pay their fair share of city taxes or to a County Fire Protection District.

Both plants are now in the city of South Gate.

Lesson Sermon To Be on 'Life'

"Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust . . . Thou wilt show me the path of life."

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